

## House Resolution No. 2615

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the life and lifetime achievements of an outstanding Missouri citizen; and

**Whereas**, Thelma L. Spradling of Desloge, Missouri, will be honored by her many loved ones during a special family gathering on May 8, 2004; and

**Whereas**, Thelma Spradling came into this world on January 21, 1921, the sixth of twelve special gifts sent to Riley and Ethel Waggoner; and

**Whereas**, Thelma Spradling will never forget the wonderful times she had growing up with her eleven siblings who include, Harley, Harold, Elizabeth, Everett, Olie, Claude, J.T., Wayne, Helen, Mamie, and Norma; and

**Whereas**, on June 22, 1940, Thelma Waggoner married the man of her dreams, Charles D. "Fat" Spradling, a kind and caring gentleman with whom she shared nearly forty-two years of wedded bliss until his passing on May 24, 1962; and

**Whereas**, Thelma Spradling has been blessed with the love and affection of five wonderful children, Betty, Bud, Leroy, Don, and Cathy, all of whom have brought great pride and happiness into her life; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Thelma Spradling further distinguished herself as a cook in the deli department at Federal I.G.A. for twenty years; and

**Whereas**, Thelma Spradling, who still maintains her own home, has enjoyed many hobbies and pastimes over the years, a few of which include keeping an eye on her children, working with flowers, and sleeping:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud Thelma Spradling for the countless contributions she has made to her family over the years, and in wishing her continued peace and contentment in all future endeavors; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Thelma L. Spradling

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Dan Ward  
District No. 107

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2615, adopted May 4, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker